#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of: Li et al.

Docket No.: PF126P1D1

Application No.: 09/348,815

Group Art Unit: 1635

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Examiner: J. Zara

For: Connective Tissue Growth Factor-2

### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner For Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated January 29, 2002, please consider the following remarks. Applicants submit concurrently herewith: (a) Fee Transmittal, with appropriate fee(s); (b) a request for a one (1) month extension of time, accompanied by appropriate fee(s); (c) a Continued Prosecution Application Request, with appropriate fee(s); (d) a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and SB/08 along with copies of references AA-AF; and (e) a Version With Markings To Show Changes Made. Please amend the application as follows.

#### In the specification:

Please replace the first paragraph of the specification with the following paragraph.

This application is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/459,101, med June 2, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 5,945,300, granted August 31, 1999, which is a continuation-in-part of, and claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120 to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. PCT/US94/07736, filed July 12, 1994, both of which are incorporated by reference in their entireties.

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please enter the following amendments prior to examining the application.

# In the specification:

On page 1, line 1, please insert — This application is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/459,101, filed June 2, 1995, pending, which is a continuation-in-part of, and claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §120 to, U.S. Patent Application Serial No. PCT/US94/07736, filed July 12, 1994, both of which are incorporated herein by reference in their entireties.—

Please replace the sequence listing pages (38 to 41 as originally filed) with the sequence listing submitted herewith (pages 38 to 46) and renumber the remaining pages of the specification, claims and abstract accordingly.

No new matter has been added.

Respectfully submitted,

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